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Pursuant to Rule 16.4(f) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, the California Wind Energy Association ("CalWEA") submits this response to the petition for expedited modification of Decision ("D.") 13-02-015 filed by Terra-Gen Power, LLC on June 3, 2014.

CalWEA is interested in ensuring that utility procurement is conducted in a reasonable and appropriate manner and shares Terra-Gen's concerns about how Southern California Edison Company ("SCE") has conducted the Request for Offers ("RFOs") authorized in Track 1 of this proceeding. As Terra-Gen notes, "one qualitative element among many considered as part of SCE's least-cost, best-fit evaluation has been transformed into a threshold screen that precludes further consideration of a resource's other attributes in the determination of the resource's value." It does not make sense, mid-way through an RFO process, to convert what the Commission indicated would be a qualitative factor into a threshold criterion. This is especially important in a case such as this where, as Terra-Gen points out, it is not at all clear

that the new Locational Effectiveness Factors used by SCE are better than the original ones that SCE employed in the RFO.

CalWEA asks the Commission to grant Terra-Gen's petition, to modify D.13-02-

015 as Terra-Gen suggests, and to (1) affirm, consistent with Ordering Paragraph 4(c), that

effectiveness factors should be used to adjust the valuation of a proposed project, but should not

be used as an eligibility requirement to eliminate otherwise viable projects from submitting final

bids, and (2) order a public workshop to develop comparable Locational Effectiveness Factors

for each of the 27 substations identified in the transmittal letter for the RFO. CalWEA also finds

merit in Terra-Gen's proposal that the Commission conduct a public workshop to consider the

Track 1 procurement process. If the Commission acts quickly, an abbreviated workshop or

stakeholder process could be completed without affecting the scheduled timing of final selection

on July 29, 2014.

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